



### 13. Personal Care Services

AHCCCS covers personal care services, as appropriate, for members eligible for EPSDT services.

### 14. Incontinence Briefs

Incontinence briefs are covered for EPSDT members who have a documented disability, in order to prevent skin breakdown, and to enable participation in social, community, therapeutic and educational activities. Minimum documentation requirements for coverage include:

- a. Current documentation of a disability that causes incontinence of bowel and/or bladder, and
- b. A prescription from the PCP or attending physician ordering incontinence briefs.

#### **Limitations:**

1. Incontinence briefs are covered only for EPSDT members who are age three (3) years or older.
2. The benefit is limited to 240 briefs per month.

Contractors and AHCCCSA may impose reasonable prior authorization and network requirements.

### **D. CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDING EPSDT SERVICES**

This section provides the procedural requirements for Contractors. Contractors must:

1. Have appropriately qualified personnel in sufficient numbers to meet the health care needs of members and fulfill Federal and State EPSDT requirements
2. Inform all participating primary care providers (PCPs) about EPSDT requirements.



This must include informing PCPs of Federal, State and AHCCCS policy requirements for EPSDT and updates of new information as it becomes available, including the 01/01/2006 implementation of the Parental Evaluation of Developmental Screening (PEDS) tool for developmental screening by trained PCPs when EPSDT-age members were admitted to the NICU following birth.

If providing care to NICU-discharged EPSDT members, PCPs should:

- a. Attend a PEDS training session.
- b. Submit proof of participation in a PEDS training session to the AHCCCS Provider Registration Unit for inclusion in the PCP's profile.

The PCP will obtain additional reimbursement for use of the PEDS tool during EPSDT visits for NICU-discharged EPSDT members only when there is proof of training with the PEDS tool in his/her AHCCCS Provider Registration profile.

3. Develop, implement, and maintain a program to inform members about EPSDT services within 30 days of enrollment with the Contractor. This information must include:
  - a. The benefits of preventive health care
  - b. A complete description of the services available
  - c. Information on how to obtain these services and assistance with scheduling appointments
  - d. A statement that there is no co-payment or other charge for EPSDT screening and resultant services, and
  - e. A statement that assistance with medically necessary transportation is available to obtain EPSDT services.
4. Provide EPSDT information, defined in #3 above, in a second language, in addition to English, in accordance with the requirements of the AHCCCS Division of Health Care Management (DHCM) "Cultural Competency" policy available in the AHCCCS Contractor Operations Manual (available on the AHCCCS Web site at [www.ahcccs.state.az.us](http://www.ahcccs.state.az.us))